



KANAWHA COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Meeting Minutes February 5, 2019

Call to Order by Chairwoman: Tresa Howell

Roll Call: Voting members present were Anna Armstead, Donna Caruthers, Paul Coon, Donna Holstine, Tresa Howell, Fred Joseph, John Kogoy, Nancy Kogoy, Thorney Lieberman, Carolyn Stricklen, Danny Stricklen, John Wilshere, and Michelle Wilshere. Associate members present were Jessica Hudson, Rhonda Hudson and Christopher Pritt.

Minutes from the December meeting were distributed. Carolyn Stricklen made a motion to approve the minutes, Danny Stricklen seconded the motion and it passed. The Treasurer's Report was distributed and discussed. A balance of \$8,983.12 is in the KCREC account. Donna Caruthers made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Paul Coon seconded the motion and it passed.

There were no guests in attendance and there were no resignations. Anna Armstead took the oath of office and there was discussion regarding appointing Dianna Graves and Bill Huddleston to be on the Executive Committee for the 8th Senate District. Also, Thomas Collins and Debbie Huddleston were appointed to be on Executive Committee for the 38th District.

Nancy Kogoy reported that the Caring Committee sent out many get well and sympathy cards. Recruitment of new Committee members was discussed. Thorney Liebermann suggested putting an ad in the newspaper. Putting ads or sharing posts on Facebook was suggested. Christ Pritt suggested targeting certain demographics on Facebook and Fred Joseph discussed sharing free ads. Ronda and Jessica Hudson discussed upcoming events that would be taking place on Campbell's Creek. The Chairwoman discussed putting a Planning Committee together using one person from each standing committee. \$80 in donations were collected for the Crossroads Pregnancy Center. Nancy Kogoy discussed using the bottles for donations like has been done in previous years. She will bring them to the next meeting on March 5th.

The Committee discussed participating in upcoming community events as a way to become engaged in the community and so that more people will learn about us and become involved. Upcoming events include one on February 16th, where the Riverside High School Beta Club will be having a food pantry giveaway. March 1st is GOP Day at the WV State Capitol. We will be having a table at this event. Carolyn suggested speaking with Beth Block about helping to put a table together. March 13th is the Grand Opening of the Chesapeake Healthcare Center from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Dr. Harris would like for the Committee to attend. There will be a blood drive on May 7th. We need to recruit 30 people in order to have the event. Donna Holstine discussed the Committee volunteering at the Kanawha Charleston Anima Shelter. She spoke with Sarah at the shelter and was told they need to know how many will attend and what date we will be there. It was discussed that April would be a good month to do this.

The Chairwoman discussed the KCREC's social media presence and how we are reaching more people through Facebook and Twitter. This past month we have gained 206 followers on Facebook and 85 on Twitter. These social media platforms are very useful in getting our message out to the public. We have added Ryan Lemmon as someone who can post.

There was discussion regarding SB 451 and how the KCREC will be supporting the bill. Chris Pritt discussed passing a resolution to show our support for the Republicans in the Legislature who are working on education reform. Rob Cornelius has drafted a resolution. Chris read the resolution and there was discussion on the wording. Thorney suggested adding language including the words charter schools, instead of just school choice. Carolyn made a motion to adopt the resolution, as amended. Paul Coon seconded the motion. The motion was adopted. Chris Pritt will draft a cover letter, Donna Holstine will create labels, and The Chairwoman will print out and hand-deliver to all Republican representatives at the State Capitol.

Nancy Kogoy suggested contacting Danny Hamrick, Chair of the Education Committee, regarding supporting SB 451. Committee members were urged to contact their Delegates as well as everyone on the Education Committee. The next KCREC meeting will be March 5, 2019. John Wilshire made a motion to adjourn, Thorney Lieberman seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Donna Holstine, Vice-Chair